



CC-CAVE001-08 Offeror Site Visit

For Merchandise, Food and Beverage, and Kennel Services Business Opportunity within Carlsbad Caverns National Park

Schedule (*Tentative, actual times may differ*)

All times Mountain Daylight Saving Time.

Time	Event	NPS Facilitator(s)
8:00am-8:30am	Arrive at Visitor Center Lobby, Introductions	All
8:30am-9:00am	Tour of Surface Visitor Center	John Benjamin, Superintendent
9:00am-10:00am	Tour of Surface Concession Facilities	
10:00am-11:00am	Descend Elevator, Tour Underground Concession Facilities	
11:00am-12:00pm	Tour of Main Cavern Loop	Interpretive Ranger
12:00pm-12:45pm	Lunch	
12:45pm-1:00pm	Walk/Drive to NPS Headquarters	
1:00pm-1:30pm	Meet and Greet Park Management Staff, Overview of NPS Organization	John Benjamin, Superintendent Chuck Barat, Deputy Superintendent Chuck Burton, Facility Manager Bridget Litten, Public Affairs Specialist/Concessions Manager Other Park Management
1:30pm-2:00pm	Presentation of Visitor Center Rehabilitation Project	Chuck Barat
2:00pm-3:00pm	Overview of Prospectus and Business Opportunity	Aaron Roth, Intermountain Region
3:00pm-3:30pm	Wrap-up and Next Steps	

Post Site Visit Reception

Washington TRU Solutions and the Carlsbad Department of Development are proud to be hosting a reception for "Parties Participating in the Site Visit for the Carlsbad Caverns Concession Contract" on September 20, 2006.

The reception will be held at the Best Western Stevens Inn at 1829 S. Canal St. in Carlsbad, New Mexico at 5:30 PM.

Presentations will be offered on expanded opportunities in the region related to Bureau of Land Management, National Forest Service, and other public lands for tourism



coordination. In addition to answering community related questions, the Chamber of Commerce will have Carlsbad information available, as well as the CDOD will have information on various New Mexico State and Local Incentives for businesses.'

Park website: <http://www.nps.gov/cave/>

Travel Information

- Visitors arrive by way of U.S. Highway 62/180 from either Carlsbad, New Mexico (23 miles to the northeast) or El Paso, Texas (150 miles to the west).
- El Paso is the closest major airport that has regular service and practical experience indicates an approximate driving time of three hours to Carlsbad, NM.
- Mesa Airlines also offers passenger service between Carlsbad, NM and Albuquerque. Rental cars and taxi service are available from the airport in Carlsbad.
- Major airlines also serve Albuquerque and Lubbock and Midland, Texas.
- Accommodations are available in the town of Carlsbad, NM.
 - Comfort Inn
 - 2429 W Pierce St , Carlsbad, NM, US, 88220-3515
 - Phone: (505) 887-1994 Fax: (505) 887-2694
 - Best Western Stevens Inn
 - 1829 S Canal Street, Carlsbad, NM, 88220-6517
 - Phone: 505-887-2851

A full list of accommodations are listed at <http://www.carlsbadchamber.com/>

- Accommodations are also available right near the Park entrance 20 miles out of town at Whites City (<http://www.whitescity.com/>), however dining and other services are limited.
 - Best Western Cavern Inn
 - 6 Carlsbad Caverns Highway, White's City, NM, 88268
 - Phone: 505-785-2291
- Travel time from Carlsbad, NM to the Park Visitor Center is approximately 40 minutes.
- A scenic 7-mile (11.3 km) entrance road leads from the park gate at Whites City to the visitor center and cavern entrance.

Other Notes:

- Limited hard copy and electronic CD versions of the complete Prospectus will be available for a \$30 dollar charge (check or money order, no cash please).
- Bring warm clothing. No matter how warm it is at the surface, caves stay about 56 degrees F. throughout the year. Comfortable rubber-soled shoes are also recommended.



- An optional opportunity is to attend the Bat Flight. Each evening, a huge colony of Mexican free-tailed bats exits its cave for a night of hunting insects. Watch this spectacular sight from the outdoor amphitheater near the cave, and be sure to hear the ranger's talk before the flight.
- Guadalupe Mountains National Park is adjacent to Carlsbad Caverns National Park and offers additional recreation opportunities. <http://www.nps.gov/gumo/>

Area Map



Questions

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